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WHEN MATT MURDOCK WAS A KID, HE LOST HIS SIGHT IN AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING A TRUCK CARRYING RADIOACTIVE CHEMICALS. THOUGH HE COULD NO LONGER SEE, THE CHEMICALS HEIGHTENED MURDOCK'S OTHER SENSES AND IMBUED HIM WITH AN AMAZING 360° RADAR SENSE. NOW MATT USES HIS ABILITIES TO FIGHT FOR HIS CITY. HE IS THE *MAN WITHOUT FEAR.* HE IS...

DAREDEVIL

WILSON FISK, A.K.A. THE KINGPIN, IS THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK. THE KING OF ORGANIZED CRIME NOW RUNS THE CITY—AND HAS MADE SUPER HEROES ILLEGAL.

AND NOW MUSE, AN INHUMAN SERIAL KILLER, IS BACK. SAM CHUNG, A.K.A. BLINDSPOT, ONETIME VICTIM OF MUSE'S TERROR, BAITED THE MURDEROUS ARTIST BY DESTROYING ONE OF HIS MURALS. THOUGH SAM WANTED TO DRAW MUSE OUT AND PREVENT FURTHER CARNAGE, HE DIDN'T EXPECT MUSE TO ARRIVE IMMEDIATELY—OR TO PUSH HIM FROM THE ROOF!

MEANWHILE, FISK MADE MATT HIS DEPUTY MAYOR. THOUGH FISK HOPED THIS WOULD KEEP MATT OUT OF HIS WAY, IT ALLOWED MATT TO OVERHEAR PLANS OF COLLUSION WITH THE CRIMINAL UNDERWORLD—AND TO ASSEMBLE A TEAM OF HEROES TO PREVENT IT...

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THE BRONX.

The Kingpin has already lost.

He just doesn't realize it yet. New York is my city. Not his.

No.

I'm wrong.

It's ours.

Spider-Man.

Misty Knight.

Moon Knight.

Echo.

Iron Fist.

Luke Cage.

Jessica Jones.

Daredevil.

We protect this city, we fight in its streets, we are New York.

And now we'll take it back from Wilson Fisk.

Mayor or not, he has to go down. We agree on that.

Although the plan took a little working out.

HELL'S KITCHEN.

EARLIER.

YOU THINK WE CAN JUST... TAKE DOWN THE MAYOR? JUST LIKE THAT?

YOU'RE INSANE.

WE GONNA IMPEACH HIM OR SOMETHING?

MAYORS DON'T GET IMPEACHED, LUKE--NOT WITHOUT CAUSE. AND EVEN THEN, THE GOVERNOR HAS TO STEP IN.

THERE'S A CHANCE HE'D DO THAT, BUT ONLY IF WE GIVE HIM A GOOD REASON.

I THINK WE CAN.

MATT MURDOCK PASSED ME INFORMATION ABOUT A MEET TONIGHT.

BEFORE FISK HOLDS HIS RALLY IN CENTRAL PARK, HE'LL BE WITH CRIME BOSSES FROM ALL OVER THE CITY UP IN THE BRONX.

THE OWL, HAMMERHEAD, MORE.

HE'S GOING TO GIVE THEM MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS-- CARVE UP NEW YORK LIKE A--

LET ME.

LET ME SAY IT.

LET YOU WHAT?

UH...

I'M JUST GONNA SAY IT.

THE KINGPIN'S GONNA CARVE UP NEW YORK LIKE A BIG APPLE PIE.

BIG.

APPLE.

BECAUSE NEW YORK IS THE...

EH. WHATEVER.

PROCEED.

I CAN LISTEN IN, HEAR THE KINGPIN MAKING THE DEALS.

THEN, THANKS TO THE SLUGANSKY RULING, I CAN TESTIFY IN COURT, OR EVEN GO STRAIGHT TO THE GOVERNOR.

THIS IS LIKE WHEN WE HELPED YOU WITH AMMO AND THE CLIP.

EXACTLY, ECHO. JUST LIKE THAT--BUT ON A LARGER SCALE.

SO...IT'S JUST A STAKEOUT? I GET IT--DO IT ALL THE TIME--BUT WHY DO YOU NEED US?

INSURANCE, MISTY. ONCE I HEAR WHAT I NEED, I'LL CALL IN THE COPS TO ARREST EVERYONE--BUT THAT COULD TAKE TIME.

YOUR JOB WILL BE TO MAKE SURE NO ONE LEAVES BEFORE WE CAN GET FISK AND THE OTHERS IN CUFFS.

LISTEN--I'M JUST GONNA SAY THIS. WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THE COPS WILL DO ANYTHING AT ALL? WON'T THEY JUST ARREST *US?*

I'M WITH JESS. YOU'RE PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE, DAREDEVIL, AND THE REST OF US AREN'T MUCH BETTER. NOT IN *FISK'S* NEW YORK.

I KNOW YOU THINK MURDOCK'S A GENIUS, BUT ARE YOU *ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN* THIS PLAN IS SOLID?

MURDOCK KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING. AS FOR THE COPS...THEY DON'T WANT THE KINGPIN IN OFFICE ANY MORE THAN WE DO.

THEY JUST A NEED A *REASON TO ACT.* WE'LL GIVE IT TO THEM. THEY'LL MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE.

THIS IS THE MOMENT. THIS IS WHEN IT HAPPENS. I KNOW IT.

NOW.

I know it.

The others do too, no matter what they say. That's why they came.

Sarno's RESTAURANT

No Blindspot, though. He said he'd be here if he could. I believe that. He wants to help, even after everything that's happened to him.

I hope he's all right. Blindspot's *young.* Youth means mistakes. It's the way of things. You learn, you move on.

But in the super hero world...

...there's no room for error.

DOWNTOWN.

NO!

THIS IS WHAT YOU WANTED, BLINDSPOT. OTHERWISE YOU'D NEVER HAVE COME DOWN HERE AND DESTROYED ONE OF MY MURALS.

THIS IS *EXACTLY* WHAT YOU WANTED.

YOU HAD TO KNOW I'D RESPOND LIKE THIS.

YOU HAD TO SEE THE FORESHADOWING.

THIS IS THE STORY YOU WANTED ME TO TELL.

WHP

AAGH!

AH. YOU'RE STILL ALIVE. I REALLY THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD JUST THERE.

I SUPPOSE WE CAN CALL THIS THE LATEST EXCITING TWIST IN THE SAGA OF MUSE AND BLINDSPOT, EH?

NNNGH

NO? YOU'D RATHER CLIMB UP HERE AND HASH THIS OUT NOW?

I'VE GOT ANOTHER ONE FOR YOU.

IMAGINE THE TENSION IF WE PUT OFF THE FINAL BATTLE FOR ANOTHER DAY.

YOU DEFACED MY WORK...BUT I'M WILLING TO LET THAT GO, JUST FOR TONIGHT, IN SERVICE OF THE GREATER STORY.

BLINDSPOT VS. MUSE... ONE FOR THE AGES!

WHY NOT KEEP THEM WAITING? TENSION CAN BE A POWERFUL ARTISTIC TOOL.

I CAN MAKE THAT WORK.

THE BRONX. SARNO'S.

HELLO, FELICIA. FASHIONABLY LATE, I SEE.

I DO EVERYTHING FASHIONABLY, LELAND.

BESIDES YOU, I SEE DIAMONDBACK AND HAMMERHEAD.

A MAN WHO TRIED TO KILL ME, AND A MAN WHO, LAST I CHECKED, *WORKS FOR ME.*

BUT I DON'T SEE THE KINGPIN.

FISK'S THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY. HE SHOWS UP WHENEVER THE HELL HE WANTS.

MAYBE HE HAS STUFF TO DO FOR THAT RALLY HE'S THROWIN' IN THE PARK LATER.

FOR WHAT HE'S GONNA GIVE US, I'M WILLING TO WAIT.

THAT'S THE BEAUTY OF THIS, FELICIA. FISK *CHANGED THE GAME.* ALL THE OLD GRUDGES, THE TURF BATTLES...THEY DON'T MATTER ANYMORE.

FOR ONCE... WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME TEAM.

YEAH, OWLSLEY'S RIGHT, SEE? NEW YORK'S A BIG TOWN. PLENTY TO GO AROUND.

PLENTY FOR ALL OF US.

HNH.

I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS PLAN, DAREDEVIL. IT SEEMS SOMEWHAT... INVOLVED. I HAVE ANOTHER IDEA.

WE ALL GO IN TOGETHER AND BEAT THEM HALF TO DEATH.

MOON KNIGHT...NO. IF WE DO THIS RIGHT, WE GET THE WHOLE HOUSE OF CARDS.

UNTIL FISK GETS HERE, WE HAVE NOTHING.

"WE WAIT."

DOWNTOWN.

CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING, BLINDSPOT?

DIDN'T I PULL OUT YOUR *EYES* NOT SO LONG AGO?

YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO FIGHT LIKE THIS IF YOU WERE BLIND, THOUGH. YOU MUST HAVE FOUND NEW EYES SOMEWHERE.

GOOD FOR YOU.

MAKES ME WONDER WHY YOU'RE SO ANGRY, THOUGH.

AFTER ALL, YOU FIXED YOUR *EYES*...

WHP

...WHO'S GOING TO FIX MY *ART*?

DON'T YOU REALIZE I PUT THOSE MURALS UP TO *HELP* PEOPLE LIKE YOU?

AGH!

KRRK

I WAS IN PRISON, JUST WHILING AWAY THE DAYS, AND THEN *DAREDEVIL* CAME ON THE TELEVISION.

HE WAS SWINGING THROUGH THE STREETS, BEING CHASED BY POLICE HELICOPTERS.

THE WHOLE CITY TURNED AGAINST HIM, AND YET HE WOULDN'T STOP FIGHTING HIS FIGHT...

I LOVED IT. IT WAS...

...INSPIRING.

ALL THE HEROES.

PLAYING THEIR LITTLE PUNCH PUNCH KICK KICK GAMES, SO SURE THEY *MATTER*. IT'S A *DELUSION*, DON'T YOU GET IT?

THEY'RE ALL JUST PERFORMERS IN A PLAY, COMPLETE WITH COSTUMES. YOU TOO, BLINDSPOT.

A BEAUTIFUL, SHARED DELUSION. I LOVE IT.

I WISH YOU COULD JUST *GET WITH THE PROGRAM*, BUT OBVIOUSLY THAT'S NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN.

MAKES ME THINK I SHOULD TAKE YOUR EYES AGAIN, BUT THAT WOULD BE REPEATING MYSELF--STEALING FROM MY OWN INSPIRATION.

I NEED SOMETHING FRESH.

YOUR TONGUE, MAYBE? HM.

BLINDSPOT.

SAMUEL CHUNG.

OATHBREAKER.

YES.

YOU HEAR ME, OATHBREAKER.

DO YOU WANT TO LIVE, SAMUEL? TO DEFEAT THIS... *MUSE?*

YOU KNOW MY POWER. THE POWER OF *THE BEAST.* I WILL GIVE IT TO YOU ONCE AGAIN.

JUST REACH OUT...

...AND TAKE IT.

MUSE!

FWSSH

ENOUGH!

THWIP

YOU'VE... CHANGED, BLINDSPOT.

TH-THAT'S GOOD. CHANGE IS GOOD.

CHANGE IS HOW WE GR--

SHUT UP.

KRCK

SARNO'S.

FISK IS LATE. *SIGNIFICANTLY* LATE. THIS ISN'T LIKE HIM.

STARTIN' TO WONDER ABOUT THIS MYSELF. SMELLIN' LIKE A SETUP.

YOU KNOW WHAT I THINK?

FISK WANTS US TO KILL EACH OTHER.

ANY ONE OF US COULD MAKE REAL TROUBLE FOR HIM IN HIS NEW GIG. WE KNOW WHO HE *REALLY* IS. WE KNOW WHERE HE'S BURIED THE BODIES.

MUCH MORE CONVENIENT FOR HIM IF WE TAKE EACH OTHER OUT. SO HE PROMISES US WHATEVER WILL GET US IN A ROOM TOGETHER, AND THEN...LETS NATURE TAKE ITS COURSE.

MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT, KITTY CAT. BUT IF IT REALLY IS *INEVITABLE*, THEN I SAY...

DON'T LIKE THE BODY LANGUAGE IN THERE, MISTY.

YEAH, ECHO, I KNOW. THAT ROOM IS LOOKING *TENSE.*

...WHY WAIT?

THWIPP

WHAT THE--

RAT-A-TAT-A-TAT

HOW 'BOUT YOU EAT *LEAD*, SPIDER-MAN!

HEY HEY!

WHAT IF WE SKIP THE WHOLE GANGLAND SHOOT-'EM-UP THING?

MAYBE WE ALL GET SOME CANNOLI? I BET THIS PLACE HAS GREAT CANNOLI, AND HONESTLY, I'M STARV--

HUH. THAT WAS ACTUALLY... PRETTY GOOD, HAMMERHEAD.

NOW, LOOK. I REALIZE YOU ALL BROUGHT A LOT OF GUNS, AND IT'S SORT OF A WASTE NOT TO SHOOT THEM.

BUT IF YOU REALLY *HAVE* TO SHOOT AT SOMEONE...

...MAYBE JUST AIM AT MY FRIEND OVER THERE.

HE'S GOT A POINT.

I'M BULLETPROOF.

UH, HONEY... YOU DO KNOW I'M STANDING *RIGHT NEXT TO YOU?*

KILL THESE &%@&S!

WHAT...WHAT IS *HAPPENING?*

KRSH

VENGEANCE!

SO... I GUESS WE'RE GOING IN?

SEEMS THAT WAY. NO SURPRISE THERE. YOU SURPRISED?

NOPE. SAW THIS COMING A MILE AWAY.

I'M DEAF, NOT BLIND.

Damn.
Damn.

So much for the plan.

Need to get down there, before someone gets--

Wait.

NYPD. But that's...

Oh, no.

SPIDER-MAN! LUKE! YOU'VE GOT SQUADS OF NYPD PX UNITS MOVING TOWARD THE BUILDING FROM ALL SIDES!

YOU ALREADY CALLED THE COPS? MAN, THEY GOT HERE FAST.

MAYBE IT'S FOR THE BEST. THIS IS GETTING PRETTY--

LUKE, NO.

I DIDN'T CALL ANYONE YET.

WELL, CRUD.

THIS WHOLE THING WAS A SETUP. A TRAP.

LOOKS THAT WAY, DAREDEVIL, BUT WE CAN'T RUN.

IF WE LEAVE, THESE IDIOTS WILL KILL EACH OTHER--OR THEY'LL KILL THE COPS.

I KNOW. I'M COMING. WE'LL DO WHAT WE CAN.

NO, DON'T.

YOU HAVE TO GET TO YOUR FRIEND MURDOCK. HE WORKS WITH FISK.

MURDOCK'S OUR ONLY SHOT.

ALL... ALL RIGHT. I'LL TRY.

PFSSH

ALL OF YOU...LISTEN TO ME. I PROMISE YOU.

I WILL FIX THIS.

DOWNTOWN.

I NEED TO UNDERSTAND, MUSE.

I NEED THIS TO MAKE SENSE.

WHY DO YOU DO WHAT YOU DO?

WHY DO YOU HURT PEOPLE? WHY DO YOU KILL?

WHY?

YOU KNOW WHY, BLINDSPOT.

IT'S THE SAME REASON YOU WANT TO KILL ME RIGHT NOW.

IT MAKES YOU BETTER

IT MAKES YOU STRONG

IT SHOWS THEM YOUR POWER

IT MEANS SOMETHING

IT SAYS SOMETHING

IT SOLVES YOUR PROBLEMS

IT GIVES YOU CONTROL

YOU'RE BIG

THEY'RE SMALL

IT'S ART

IT'S ART

IT'S ART!

IT'S ART! IT'S ART!

SHUT UP!

I'LL KILL YOU IF YOU DON'T SHUT UP!

DO IT.

YOU HAVE TAKEN OUR GIFTS, SAMUEL...NOW, YOU MUST REPAY US.

ONE DEATH. A SMALL THING.

THINK OF HOW MANY LIVES MUSE'S DEATH WILL SAVE.

THIS IS A SMALL THING WE ASK.

NO...NO...

YOU WANT THIS. YOU KNOW HE WILL KILL YOU IF YOU DO NOT KILL HIM. YOU DO NOT WANT TO TRADE YOUR LIFE FOR HIS.

REJECT US, AND WE WILL COME FOR YOU. YOU CANNOT USE OUR POWER AND NOT EXPECT TO PAY.

NO. I *DO* REJECT YOU.

I REJECT DEATH.

GAH!

KRCK

NO. I DON'T LIKE THIS.
I'M THE STORY.
I'M THE STORY.
I'M THE SONG.
NOT YOU, BLINDSPOT.
NOT YOU.
I WON'T ALLOW IT.
I... HAD SO MUCH...
...BEAUTY LEFT.

HOW MANY ARE OUT THERE, WESLEY?

THE RALLY WASN'T TICKETED, SO IT'S HARD TO SAY FOR SURE, MR. FISK. THE PARKS DEPARTMENT'S ESTIMATING ABOUT 200,000.

GOOD. AND THE OTHER THING?

THE POLICE COMMISSIONER JUST CHECKED IN. SUCCESSFUL RAID. THEY GOT THEM ALL.

ALL FOUR?

CENTRAL PARK. THE GREAT LAWN.

BELVEDERE CASTLE.

YES--AND A GOOD NUMBER OF THEIR SOLDIERS, TOO. THEY STARTED SOME SORT OF GUN BATTLE. PLENTY OF EVIDENCE TO PUT THEM ALL AWAY.

IDIOTS.

ALL RIGHT. THAT WILL GIVE ME THE BOOST I'M LOOKING FOR. WE WON'T NEED MURDOCK ANYMORE.

YOU WANT ME TO TELL HIM HE'S OUT RIGHT NOW? I'M NOT SURE HE'S HERE YET, BUT...

MM...NO. LET HIM STAND NEXT TO ME ON THAT STAGE, OBLIVIOUS TO WHAT'S COMING. I'LL USE HIM TONIGHT, FIRE HIM ON MONDAY. I'D LIKE TO DO IT TO HIS FACE.

EXCELLENT, MR. FISK. I LIKE IT. AND I HAVE MORE GOOD NEWS, TOO.

YOU'RE SMILING, WESLEY. WHAT IS IT?

THE NYPD DIDN'T JUST GET THE CRIME BOSSES, SIR.

THERE WERE HEROES THERE, TOO.

JESSICA JONES, DANNY RAND, MAYA LOPEZ, LUKE CAGE, MISTY KNIGHT AND MARC SPECTOR.

EVEN SPIDER-MAN.

SPIDER-MAN...

AND WHAT IS *HIS* NAME? WHO IS HE?

WE DON'T KNOW. JUST BEFORE THE COPS GRABBED HIM, HE SPRAYED THAT WEBBING OF HIS AROUND HIS NECK. SEALED IT UP TIGHT, LIKE GLUE.

THEY CAN'T GET HIS MASK OFF.

HNH. TYPICAL.

WELL, THAT WEBBING DOESN'T LAST FOREVER. OR WE'LL CUT HIS MASK OFF, IF WE HAVE TO.

PLEASE OFFER MY CONGRATULATIONS TO COMMISSIONER KARNIK. EXCELLENT WORK. BUT I NEED TO ASK...

I KNOW, SIR. DAREDEVIL.

HE WASN'T WITH THE GROUP. WE DON'T KNOW WHERE HE--

THMP

YOU DON'T THINK...

ACTUALLY, I DO.

IT'D BE JUST LIKE HIM.

COME ALONG, WESLEY.

LET'S GO UP AND SAY HELLO.

FISK.

I CAN GET THE COPS, SIR. WE'VE GOT OFFICERS ALL OVER DOWN THERE.

NO, WESLEY. GO BACK DOWNSTAIRS, WAIT FOR MY CALL.

DAREDEVIL AND I ARE GOING TO HAVE A LITTLE TALK.

NOW, WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?

YOU CAN ORDER THE RELEASE OF THE HEROES THE NYPD JUST TOOK INTO CUSTODY.

THEY WERE THERE TO SAVE LIVES. THAT'S ALL.

YOU'LL LET THEM GO. RIGHT NOW.

OR WHAT?

YOU WERE THERE, I'M GUESSING.

EAVESDROPPING LIKE SOME *PERVERT*, LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO USE AGAINST ME.

BUT ALL YOU FOUND WAS A MAYOR EXECUTING A PLAN TO KEEP HIS CITY SAFE FROM...

...CRIMINAL ELEMENTS.

IF MY NAME WEREN'T WILSON FISK, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BATTED AN EYE.

YOU'D BE *CHEERING* THAT THE MAYOR HAD FOUND A WAY TO GET OWLSLEY AND THE OTHERS OFF THE STREETS.

BUT *YOU ARE* WILSON FISK. YOU ARE THE KINGPIN.

AND YOU'RE THE ENEMY OF EVERYTHING THAT MATTERS ABOUT THIS CITY.

NO. I'M NOT.

I hear the rasp of his hands tightening on the hammer.

An intake of breath.

BUT I'M SICK OF TRYING TO EXPLAIN THAT TO YOU.

WSSH

It was always going to end this way.

YOU *WANT* ME TO HIT YOU, WILSON. I WON'T DO IT. I WON'T GIVE YOU MORE AMMUNITION AGAINST ME, MORE BRUISES YOU CAN POINT TO, CAUSED BY THE EVIL VIGILANTE.

BUT MY FISTS AREN'T MY ONLY WEAPONS.

YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I'M CAPABLE OF. THE ONLY THING THAT'S *EVER* HELD ME BACK IS THE LAW.

GRAH!

RRNCH

YOU TAKE THAT AWAY FROM ME...YOU TAKE AWAY MY *LIMITS.*

YOU'LL SEE WHAT THAT...

ENOUGH. *PLEASE,* ENOUGH OF YOUR SILLY, ENDLESS *SPEECHES.*

YOU POOR IDIOT...DON'T YOU SEE YOU'VE ALREADY *LOST?*

WE'RE NOT EVEN PLAYING THE SAME GAME ANYMORE. I RUN A CITY OF *EIGHT MILLION PEOPLE.*

YOU'RE JUST SO...

...SMALL-TIME.

I LOVE THIS CITY. I ALWAYS HAVE.

I THINK OF ALL THE TIME I WASTED ON YOU, ON PEOPLE LIKE YOU... IT MAKES ME *SICK.*

ALL ALONG, I SHOULD HAVE BEEN GOING AFTER *THIS.*

ALL THIS *POWER*...AS THE *MAYOR*...I CAN DO *ANYTHING I WANT.*

AND WHAT I WANT...IS TO FIX NEW YORK.

What is he doing? With the hammer... he's going to...

YOU WON'T STOP ME.

NO ONE WILL.

No...not again. Wesley saw me up here--Fisk can blame whatever he does to himself on me, make things even worse...

SORRY, FISK.

NOT THIS TIME. NO MORE FALSE ASSAULT CLAIMS. WHEN I BEAT YOU, IT WON'T BE THIS WAY.

I WON'T LAY A *FINGER* ON YOU.

WHP

TRUE.

THWM

NNGH!

THD

THE ONLY HERO THIS CITY NEEDS...

KRCK

...IS ITS KING.

I...

...LOVE...

...NEW YORK!

LOOK AT THAT. THEY'RE EATING IT UP.

WELL, WHY WOULDN'T THEY? HE *DOES* LOVE NEW YORK, RIGHT, MR. WESLEY?

MORE THAN ANYONE I'VE EVER MET, STEVE.

WE'RE HERE TONIGHT TO CELEBRATE THIS WONDERFUL CITY...TO REMIND OURSELVES THAT WHEN NEW YORKERS COME TOGETHER, THERE IS *NOTHING* WE CAN'T ACCOMPLISH.

THANK YOU FOR THE TRUST YOU'VE PUT IN ME AS YOUR MAYOR-- KNOW THAT I DON'T TAKE IT FOR GRANTED.

I WILL CONTINUE TO *EARN* THAT TRUST BY WORKING *TIRELESSLY* FOR THIS CITY.

IN FACT, JUST TONIGHT I GOT WORD FROM THE POLICE COMMISSIONER THAT A STING OPERATION WE'VE BEEN PLANNING SINCE I TOOK OFFICE WAS SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED.

FOUR MAJOR CITY CRIME BOSSES, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF COSTUMED VIGILANTES, WERE APPREHENDED AND ARE NOW IN CUSTODY.

NEW YORK CITY IS SAFER THAN--

WHSSS-THK

NNH?

W-WHAT?

SSSSK

FTHK FTHK

AGH!

FTHK FTHK FTHK FTHK

NNNNGH

NINJAS? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? OVER.

NINJAS! HUNDREDS, MAYBE THOUSANDS! THEY'RE ALL AROUND THE PARK, AND WE'VE GOT REPORTS THEY'RE POPPING UP ALL ACROSS THE CITY. PEOPLE ARE PANICKING.

THEY ATTACKED MAYOR FISK...SHOT HIM FULL OF ARROWS. WE NEED ALL PX UNITS UP AT THE CASTLE TO MAKE SURE WE CAN GET HIM OUT SAFELY.

Ninjas...*the Hand.* And they've come in force.

But...Fisk? Why would they go after Fisk?

ROGER THAT. WE NEED TO SECURE OUR PRISONER, THEN WE'LL BE THERE. HOLD TIGHT.

LISTEN TO ME. I KNOW WHAT THIS IS. I'VE FOUGHT THESE THINGS BEFORE.

THEY'RE *DEADLY,* AND THEY AREN'T EXACTLY ALIVE. THEY DON'T FEEL PAIN, AND CAN TAKE ENORMOUS DAMAGE. YOU HAVE TO GO FOR THE KILL SHOT, EVERY TIME. NO WARNINGS, NO--

YEAH, THANKS.

No. This can't be about the Kingpin. This is about me. And Blindspot.

The Beast is here to take back what it's owed.

YOU NEED TO LET ME OUT OF THESE *CUFFS.* I CAN HELP. PEOPLE WILL *DIE.*

NOT GONNA HAPPEN.

JUST LET ME *HELP.*

The Beast *knows* me. It knows I defend this city. It knows I love New York.

So it took it away.

LET'S GO.

POLICE

Back's in agony--can barely *think* after those cheap shots from Fisk.

Set that aside, Matt. Reach out...listen... find out what's happening.

ALL RIGHT, THE MAYOR IS OUT OF COMMISSION. ORDER OF SUCCESSION'S IN EFFECT. WE NEED THE PUBLIC ADVOCATE TO ASSUME CONTROL.

I'VE ALREADY CONTACTED HER, COMMISSIONER. SHE'S HEADED TO CITY HALL NOW.

UH...EXCUSE ME, BUT THAT'S NOT RIGHT.

WHAT? WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?

MY NAME'S STEVE CORNISH. I WORK IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE.

I KNOW THE ORDER OF SUCCESSION NORMALLY SAYS THE PUBLIC ADVOCATE TAKES OVER IF THE MAYOR'S INCAPACITATED.

BUT MAYOR FISK HAD ME READING OVER ALL THE OLD RULES AND REGULATIONS FROM PRIOR ADMINISTRATIONS, AND THE LAST GUY...HE *CHANGED* IT.

IT WAS WHEN HE ADJUSTED THINGS TO LET HIMSELF HAVE A THIRD TERM.

MAYBE FISK WOULD HAVE CHANGED IT BACK EVENTUALLY... BUT HE *DIDN'T.* HASN'T HAD TIME, I GUESS. SO, THAT NEW RULE IS STILL IN EFFECT.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR KNOWS ALL THIS, ACTUALLY. I WENT OVER ALL OF IT WITH HIM. READ HIM EVERY LAST WORD.

THE *DEPUTY MAYOR?* WAIT, SO THAT MEANS...

OH NO, NO, NO...

YUP.

MATT MURDOCK IS THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK CITY.

TO BE CONTINUED...

NEXT

WITH HEROES IN LOCK UP...

...AND FISK'S LIFE IN THE BALANCE...

...THE HAND TERRORIZES NEW YORK.

SO WHERE'S MAYOR MURDOCK?

DAREDEVIL #601 ON SALE NEXT MONTH.

TURN THE PAGE FOR MORE DAREDEVIL!

HELL'S KITCHEN.

I'M GOING AFTER THE OTHER MUGGERS.

GET HIM TO A HOSPITAL. TWO CRACKED RIBS, LIKELY CONCUSSION.

GOT IT.

HEY! POLICE! THIS GUY JUST GOT MUGGED!

DAMN, DUDE...

...YOU KNOW DAREDEVIL? THAT IS DOPE!

HUH? OH...

...NO, HE JUST TOLD ME TO GET THIS GUY HELP, THAT'S ALL.

YEAH, BUT HE TALKED TO YOU LIKE HE *KNOWS* YOU, MAN. LIKE HE TRUSTS YOU TO TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS, KNOW WHAT I'M SAYIN'?

WHO *ARE* YOU, ANYWAY?

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.
YEARS AGO.
THIS IS GONNA BE SO GREAT!
YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW LUCKY YOU ARE, MURDOCK, 'CAUSE FOGGY NELSON JUST HAPPENS TO BE THE FINEST WINGMAN IN THE HISTORY OF WINGMEN.
YOU JUST STAND THERE LOOKING HANDSOME, STRONG, STOIC...WITH A HINT OF TRAGEDY, WHILE I DRAW 'EM IN WITH MY ORATORICAL VIRTUOSITY.
BETWEEN MY SILVER TONGUE, YOUR LOOKS, AND THE WHOLE BLIND THING, YOU'RE GONNA NEED THAT CANE TO WARD OFF THE BABES!
OH... OH, MAN. MATT, I AM SO SORRY. SOMETIMES MY MOUTH GETS AHEAD OF MY BRAIN.
IF I OFFENDED YOU--
I'M ONLY OFFENDED WHEN PEOPLE PITY ME.
SINCE I SET FOOT ON CAMPUS, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO HASN'T.
NOW TELL ME MORE ABOUT THE GAME PLAN, COACH.
OKAY, SO WHEN YOU'VE TALKED WITH A GIRL A WHILE AND YOU'RE HITTING IT OFF, DO THE WHOLE SHY, TENTATIVE "CAN I TOUCH YOUR FACE" BIT. THAT'S GOLD!
AW, THIS IS GONNA BE EPIC...

IS IT GREAT, OR IS IT *THE GREATEST?*

EQUAL PARTNERS, OF COURSE. IT JUST HAS A BETTER RING TO IT WITH MY NAME FIRST, DON'TCHA THINK?

THIS TOWN'S *NEVER* SEEN LAWYERS LIKE US!

NELSON AND MURDOCK

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

MY PARTNER SENDS HIS DEEPEST REGRETS THAT HE COULDN'T BE HERE. HE...HAD A MINOR ACCIDENT.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE HEARD, BUT HE'S *BLIND*, THE POOR GUY...

YOUR HONOR, IF WE COULD HAVE JUST A FEW MORE MINUTES?

I KNOW MY CO-COUNSEL IS ON HIS WAY, AND HE'S THE ONE WHO PREPARED THE OPENING STATEMENT...

OKAY, *I'LL* GIVE THE OPENING STATEMENT.

NOT LIKE I'VE NEVER HAD TO WING IT BEFORE...

BAR JOSIE'S GRILL

HEY, JOSIE, I HEARD... Y'KNOW, AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD... YOU'RE HAVING PROBLEMS GETTING THE INSURANCE COMPANY TO FIX THE WINDOW.

NELSON & MURDOCK CAN HELP. PRO BONO.

THAT BETTER MEAN "FREE."

MATT? GOOD NEWS. I FOUND CASE LAW THAT APPLIES TO THE *BRUCE BANNER* TRIAL...

YOUR HONOR, MATTHEW MURDOCK CONTINUES TO FIGHT THE BRIBERY CHARGES AGAINST HIM, WHICH HE VEHEMENTLY DENIES.

HE HAS *ALREADY* BEEN DISBARRED. AND I WOULD REMIND THE COURT HE IS BLIND... NOT A FLIGHT RISK OR A DANGER TO ANYONE.

PRISON, AT THIS POINT, WOULD BE BOTH UNNECESSARY AND *UNJUST.*

WE DID IT, BUDDY. YOU'RE A *LAWYER* AGAIN!

I PRONOUNCE THIS COUPLE TO BE HUSBAND AND WIFE.

THE DOCTOR SAID THE DRUG *MR. FEAR* DOSED MILLA WITH MIGHT'VE DONE...*UM*, PERMANENT DAMAGE.

BUT WE'RE GONNA DO ***EVERYTHING WE CAN,*** MATT...SHE'LL HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE CARE, I'LL MAKE SURE OF THAT.

AW, MATT...NOT AGAIN...

I NEED HELP HERE!

MY FRIEND, HE...HE GOT MUGGED.

THANKS FOR YOUR DISCRETION, NURSE... UH...

NURSE NURSE.

JUST "NIGHT NURSE."

LOOKS GREAT.

YOU'RE BLIND.

FOGLIFE

WHEN YOU PUT ON THAT *MASK* AND GO OUT THERE AND DO *STUPID* &$%# LIKE THIS--IT PUTS *US ALL* AT RISK, MATT!

I'M NOT DARE DEVIL

SNNRXXXX...

ME?
I'M JUST A GUY, KID.
NOBODY SPECIAL.
THEY ALSO SERVE
CHRISTOS GAGE WRITER
MIKE PERKINS ARTIST
ANDY TROY COLOR ARTIST
VC'S CLAYTON COWLES LETTERER

ZONE